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Dear Sir.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, Applicants submit for consideration in the above-identified application the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the documents are also submitted herewith. The Examiner is requested to make these documents of record.

*The document listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 is cited only. Applicants identify Applicants' related co-pending application Serial No. 09/623,548 filed September 5, 2000, for the Examiner's consideration.

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